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Eight Thousand British Scouts Are Attending the Jamboree. (See Page 498)

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Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. -I Corinthians 2: 12-13

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### THIS WEEK'S COVER-

EDITORIAL\_

With world-wide attention focused on the International Boy Scout Jamboree now being held in Vogelenzang, Holland, the *Star* presents a picture of King George VI and the Chief Scout, Lord Baden Powell, taken at the Imperial Jamboree.

More than eight thousand Scouts from Britain are in attendance at the Jamboree. They constitute the largest contingent of boys ever sent abroad.

# BUILDING A RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND

#### BY ELDER D. E. HAMMOND

Member of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association General Board and former president of Pioneer Stake.



" $I^{\rm F}$  there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praise worthy, we seek after these things."

This is a statement in the 13th Article of Faith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, commonly called the Mormon Church.

Beliefs and prescribed practices of most religious sects are usually set forth in formulated creeds. The Latter-day Saints announce no such creed as a complete code of faith; for they accept the principle of continuous revelation as

accept the principle of continuous revelation as an essential feature of their belief. Joseph Smith, the first divinely commissioned prophet and the first president of the Church of Jesus Christ in the latter-day, or current, dispensation, set forth as a brief statement of the tenets of the Church the thirteen avowals known as the "Articles of Faith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints."

Very briefly stated the 13 Articles of Faith cover the following points of doctrine and principles of belief: God and the Holy Trinity; Transgression and the fall; The atonement and salvation; Faith, repentance, baptism, Holy Ghost, and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; Authority; Organization; Spiritual Gifts; The Bible and the Book of Mormon; Revelation, past, present, future; The Dispersion and gathering of Israel, Zion, Christ's reign on earth, Re-generation and Resurrection; Religious liberty and toleration; Submission to secular authority, and Practical religion.

It is my purpose to direct your attention to this 13th Article of Faith setting forth the fact that Mormonism is a religion of daily life and a practical religion. This Article reads:

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul. We believe all things, we hope all things, we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.

In this article of faith, the Latter-day Saints declare their acceptance of a practical religion; a religion that shall consist, not alone of professions in spiritual matters, and belief as to the conditions of the hereafter, of the doctrine of original sin and the actuality of a future heaven and hell, but also, and more particularly, of present and every-day duties, in which proper respect for self, love for fellow men, and devotion to God are the guiding principles. Religion without morality, professions of godliness without charity, church-membership without adequate responsibility as to individual conduct in daily life, are but as sounding brass and tinkling cymbals noise without music, the words without the spirit of prayer. Within the pale of the Church there is a place for all truth, for everything that is praiseworthy, virtuous, lovely, or of good report.

The Church has always been progressive and alert, desiring to bring to its membership everything good that is



#### Oscar A. Kirkham

The above photo of Elder Oscar A. Kirkham, Latter-day Saint Boy Scout leader, was taken during the National Jamboree held recently in Washington, D.C., when Elder Kirkham addressed a nation-wide radio audience. En route to the World Jamboree in Vogelenzang, Holland, Elder Kirkham was a visitor to Britain last week. At the World Jamboree he is director of programme and activity for the United States contingent.

Another tribute to the leadership of Latter-day Saint Scouts and their outstanding records came when six Mormon Scouts now serving as travelling missionaries in the European missions were selected for special service at the World Jamboree to work under the officials in charge of the event. verything good that is developed in any field music, art, drama, science. recreation, and so forth. A specific instance of the use of an adopted programme is found in the interesting story of Boy Scouting in the Latterday Saint Church.

The Scouting programme for boys has as its foundation the Scout Oath:

"On my honour I promise that I will do my best —To do my duty to God and the King, To help other people at all times, To obey the Scout Law." The Scout Law requires that a Scout is Trust-Helpful, worthy. Loyal, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Its chief ob-Reverent. jective is to produce "Men of Character, trained for citizenship and leadership." Scouting had its beginning in Britain about thirty years ago. Almost overnight boys enthusiastically accepted it. This programme of campcraft, wood craft, and gloradventure in the ious out-of-doors was used at once by many groups of junior boys in the Mor-There was mon Church. such a demand for Scouting that the Church asked the Athletic Committee of the General Board of the Young Men's M.I.A.

to study its programme, methods, aims and purposes to prove its acceptance for Latter-day Saint boys. As a result of the investigation Scouting was accepted by the Church and in 1911 given official approval. From 1911 to 1913 Mormon boys were trained in Scouting as M.I.A. Scouts. In



May, 1913, the M.I.A. Scouts, upon invitation from the National Council, became a part of the Boy Scouts By this action the Church of Jesus of America. Christ became the first Church in America to officially adopt the Boy Scout programme as the programme for its junior boys.

During the past 24 years the Church leaders have urged the organization of Scout Troops in every ward or Church unit. To-day there are registered L.D.S. Troops in every one of the 12 Scout regions in America, totalling more than 1,000 Troops. There is an average of 25 Scouts per Troop so we are safe in saying that there are 25,000 L.D.S. boys registered to-day in Scouting. There are L.D.S. Troops organized in 20 other American and European countries. These facts and figures show how universally the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints uses this great game for boys.

A year ago more than 1,000 Scout Executives and associates, the professional staff, gathered at French Lick Springs, Indiana for a National Training Conference. President Heber J. Grant, was one of three high Church leaders invited to address this national conference. Here is the letter, written by Dr. James E. West, Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, asking him to be on the programme.

"As we review the history of the Boy Scout Movement, we find that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was the first to give its official endorsement to Scouting. As we review the records of our local councils and the various Church groups, we find that the Mormon Church leads all others in the high percentage of its boys and young men who have received Scout training. It is therefore most fitting and proper that the Mormon Church be represented in our General Convocation on Scouting in the Churches and Lem uniting on back of the Conference Councils in the Churches, and I am writing on behalf of the Conference Committee, christ of Latter-day Saints, to speak in behalf of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, to speak in behalf of the Mormon Church and bring to our group your appraisal of the value of Scouting in the magnificent programme which you have developed for your boys and your young men.

"You have gone further than any other church group in relating Scout-ing to the entire programme of your Church in its service to boys. We would like our group to have a clear picture of how completely this has worked out to our mutual satisfaction."

This letter clearly indicates the approval, and the appreciation of the National Council for the extended use of Scouting in the Mormon Church.

In his talk before those Scout executives President Grant in giving the reasons why the Mormon Church had adopted Scouting referred to the statement from the Constitution of the Boy Scouts of America, which read as follows:

"The Boy Scouts maintain that no boy can grow into the best kind of citizenship without recognizing his obligation to God. In the first part of the Boy Scout's Oath or Pledge, the boy promises, On my honour I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law. The recognition of God as the ruling and leading power in the universe and the grateful acknowledgement of His favours and bless-ings are necessary to the best type of citizenship, and are wholesome things in the education of the growing boy. "No matter what the boy may be, Catholic or Protestant or Jew, this fundamental need of good citizenship should be kept before him. The Boy Scouts of America therefore recognizes the religious element in the training of a boy, but it is abso-lutely non-sectarian in its attitude towards that religious



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# OUR MISSION LEADERS DEPART



The Cannon Family

Front: Ramona W. Cannon, Mark Cannon, President Joseph J. Cannon; Back: Bryant, Elizabeth and Adrian Cannon.

HE Centennial Conference proved to be a fitting climax to the administration of President Joseph J. Cannon and his wife, Sister Ramona W. Cannon, who have presided so ably over the British Mission for the past two and a half years. President and Sister Cannon will leave for Holland this week with President Grant and tour with the President and his party through the Netherlands, Danish, Swedish and Norwegian Missions before sailing for their home in Salt Lake City September 9th.

In adding our best wishes for success and blessings, we wish to close with this appropriate message of farewell from our Mission leaders:

"For more than two and a half years we have dwelt in this land of our fathers, bearing a responsibility we did not choose and dis-charging it to the best of our abilities. During that time we have travelled in the United Kingdom and Ireland more than twice the distance round the world at the Equator; and when we reach home with our children, the sum of our several totals of mileage will ex-ceed half the distance to the moon. To us the principal cities and many lesser ones have grown familiar, and the peaceful countrymany lesser ones have grown familiar, and the peaceful country-side will come distinctly back to our memories to please and soothe all the rest of our days. But principally we have learned to know the people. In more than half a hundred homes we have been guests where food and shelter have been given us as freely as if we were members of the family by blood as we truly are by spirit. "To you, our many friends, may we say that we will see you in the future as surely as the seas wash the shore of this favoured land, as surely as the rains fall on its green fields, we will again look into your faces. That may not and probably will not be in this world, but across the years and mortal changes our minds will retain their experiences and our hearts their love. Until then may God

their experiences and our hearts their love. Until then may God bless you one and all .- PRESIDENT CANNON AND FAMILY

## DICKENS AND HIS EMIGRANT SHIP

## BY ELDER CHARLES A. CALLIS

Of the Council of the Twelve Apostles

DREARY midnight hour came to the Church in 1837. "It seemed as though all the powers of earth and hell were combining their influence in an especial manner to overthrow the Church at once and make a final end."

In this dark hour, God revealed to the Prophet Joseph Smith that "something new must be done for the salvation of his Church." In obedience to this divine instruction prominent elders, men whose names and golden deeds brighten the annals of the Church, were called and set apart by the spirit of prophecy and revelation, prayer and laying on of hands to organize the British mission, the first foreign mission of the Church



George Q. Cannon

in the last days. "Let them depart," said the revelation, "to go over the great waters, and there promulgate my Gospel, the fulness thereof, and bear record of my name."

These dauntless soldiers of the Cross went on their way with willing minds, bearing the precious gospel seed. They toiled in the prayer of faith. The door of salvation was opened to the people of Great Britain. Truth did prevail. Many thousands, with joy, accepted the glad tidings.

"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth in weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." (Psalms 126: 5-6.)

Thousands of members bade fare-

well to their fatherland and came to the "mountains of Ephraim." The Church was strengthened and refreshed by the stream of emigration that flowed from lands across the seas and from the isles of the ocean. That was the "something new." These emigrants were of a high type. Their great qualities of mind and character won places for them in the ranks of the builders of western commonwealths.

Numbers of these people have gone to the ends of the earth as missionaries to preach the Gospel in the mother tongue to their fellow creatures. The descendants of these messengers even unto the third and fourth generations, are following the

noble example of their worthy sires. From August, 1860, to September, 1864, about thirteen thousand Latter-day Saints emigrated from Liverpool to the Salt Lake Valley, and about the same number, during that period, united with the Church by baptism in the European mission. Those were Pentecostal days.

The ship Amazon sailed from London June 4th, 1863, with

882 Mormon emigrants on board.

George Q. Cannon was the president of the European mission at that time. He was also the shipping agent for the Church. Charles Dickens, the celebrated author, visited the *Amazon* at the London docks on that date and interviewed George Q. Cannon.

The eminent British novelist made such a true pen picture of President Cannon that President B. H. Roberts stated that it was "worth perpetuating." The story of the Mormon emigrants, told in minute and clear description of scene and character, shows the amazing powers of observation the famous writer possessed. What Dickens said of the members on the *Amazon* might be said, with equal truth, of the Mormon emigrants from Scandinavia and other European countries.

The story, condensed, from "The Uncommercial Traveller," pages 285-304, follows:

#### "BOUND FOR THE GREAT SALT LAKE"

"Behold me on my way to an emigrant ship, on a hot morning early in June . . . I go aboard my emigrant ship . . Nobody in an ill-temper, is nobody is the worse drink, for nobody swears an oath or uses a coarse word, nobody appears depressed, nobody is weeping, and down upon the deck. in every corner where it is possible to find a few square feet to kneel, crouch, or lie in, people, in every unsuitable attitude for writing, are writing letters.



The Old Curiosity Shop in London

Immortalized by Charles Dickens.

"Now, I have seen emigrant ships before this day in June. And these people are so strikingly different from all other people in like circumstances whom I have ever seen, that I wonder aloud, 'What would a stranger suppose these emigrants to be?'

"The vigilant bright face of the weather-browned captain of the *Amazon* is at my shoulder, and he says, 'What, indeed? The most of these came aboard yesterday evening. They came from various parts of England, in small parties that had never seen one another before. Yet they had not been a couple of hours on board when they established their own police, made their own regulations, and set their own watches at all the hatchways. Before 9 o'clock, the ship was as orderly and as quiet as a man-of-war.'...

"'A stranger would be puzzled to guess the right name for these people, Mr. Uncommercial,' says the captain.

" 'Indeed he would.'

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### THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS' MILLENNIAL STAR

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 1937

### EDITORIAL

### FAREWELL TO PRESIDENT CANNON AND FAMILY

It was most fitting that President Joseph J. Cannon be called to preside over the British Mission. His father, President George Q. Cannon was one of the men who laboured here in those early days when the struggle was hard, but the harvest rich.

President Joseph J. Cannon did his first missionary work in Sweden just after he had received a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah.

His devotion to the work of the Master was so intense that when Francis M. Lyman, then President of the European

Associate Editor of the Star Mission appealed to him, because of his literary ability, to remain in Liverpool and serve as Associate Editor of the Millennial Star, he

willingly did so.

When those in authority in the Church call, Joseph J. Cannon always responds. He did so then. He carried for President Francis M. Lyman a heavy load. They stood side by side and side by side they finally took their journey home in 1903.

One of President Cannon's outstanding characteristics is his aptitude for work. It is never too early for him to begin nor is it ever too late for him to continue in the struggle if there is work to be done. He is also filled with a determination which knows no defeat. He is not a man of many words, but a man of strong conviction and determination.

He is not what might be called a young man in years, but in spirit he is young. He has the view point of youth. He feels at home with young people and young people feel of Youth at home with him. He has been Ward president of the Mutual in two of the large Wards in Salt Lake City and he has served also as the stake superintendent of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association of the Ensign Stake. These positions among young people he filled with distinction. This record makes it clear why he has recently been chosen by General Superintendent George Q. Morris as his First Assistant in the Mutual Improvement Association of the entire Church.

George Q. Morris, General Superintendent; Joseph J. Cannon, First Assistant; Burton K. Farnsworth, Second Assistant. Here are three stalwarts. Here are three men who by nature are fitted to work with youth and who all their days have devoted themselves to the work of uplift among the young people of the Church. With these leaders the work of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, which will of course go hand in hand with the work of the Young Women's Organization, is bound to go forward with tremendous strides. It was out of this intense M.I.A. atmosphere that President Cannon was called, when he came to preside over the British Mission.

Most men are followers. It is comparatively easy to follow the trail that leaders have blazed. It is difficult to go out in unknown directions. President Cannon is a trail blazer.

Placed largely upon his own responsibility as President of the British Mission, Joseph J. Cannon with his well trained mind and with his broad experience began to

Furthering the Millennial Star Millennial Star

family of publishers and printers he has concentrated on the *Millennial Star* with the intent of making it a further medium to convey messages of gripping interest to modern thinking people, and of extending and increasing its circulation. That he has succeeded is evidenced by the fact that the subscription list has grown from 1,300 to 6,000. Other helpful projects have been the Millennial Chorus, with its Gospel hymns, and the athletic programme. The chorus has appeared repeatedly before service clubs and other assemblies; at theatres, over the radio and at Church meetings throughout the mission. The athletic programme has also created interest in Church work generally as well as in its recreation activities which have been instituted for the benefit of its youth. And side by side with President Cannon has been his able,

And side by side with President Cannon has been his able, devoted and efficient wife, Ramona Wilcox Cannon, also a college graduate, who, like her husband, has held an official position in the mission.

In charge of the women's organizations, Sister Cannon has been an outsanding, intellectual and spiritual leader. She is

Outstanding Wife and Family and her rare gifts of mind and soul have been devoted earnestly to the advance-

ment of the mission.

Assisting President and Sister Cannon have been members of their family. One son, Adrian, and one daughter, Elizabeth, have been officially called into the mission field and have performed duties as missionaries.

This family, with whom we have all been so intimately and devotedly associated, will be greatly missed. The sadness at the parting will be exceeded only by the joy we have because the opportunity has been ours of associating with people whose standards are high, whose aims are exalted, and whose ideal in life is to do the right. With them we send our love and our blessing. For them we desire every happiness and every success. The best wish we can express for them is that there shall come to them that joy and happiness and long life and success which they through their lives of faith and devotion to the kingdom of our Father so richly deserve.—RICHARD R. LYMAN

# HONOURING CANADA'S PIONEERS

\_\_\_\_ By Elder Arthur C. Porter \_\_

A<sup>S</sup> members of the Church in Britain pay tribute to the men who one hundred years ago first preached the Gospel on these shores, their Empire cousins are observing the Golden Jubilee of an important event in the history of the settlement of Canada—the establishment of Cardston, Alberta. It was just fifty years ago, on June 1st, 1887, that some forty stalwart Pioneers crossed the Canadian border after travelling 600 miles from Salt Lake City and began colonization of what was later to become a thriving Latter-day Saint community.

The history of this great pioneering movement centres about the man Charles Ora Card, from whom



**Charles Ora Card** 

Father of Cardston, Alberta

Cardston takes its name. Born November 5th, 1839, in the western part of the state of New York, he crossed the plains with his parents when sixteen years of age. The company entered Salt Lake Valley just nine years after Brigham Young and the first party of settlers. Often shouldering the responsibility of older men, he received training in Pioneer life which was to prove so invaluable to him later.

The year 1886 found him in Logan, Utah. Already he had distinguished himself as a colonizer and leader, had filled a voluntary mission to the eastern states, supervised the construction of the Logan Temple, and was president of Cache Stake. It was in the Autumn when he received a call from President John Taylor to

a call from President John Taylor to explore Western Canada and report

the possibility of establishing a Mormon community there. Perhaps it was love for his native land that caused President Taylor to seek to establish a home for the Saints on British soil. He was himself born in Britain and had lived in Toronto, Canada, before joining the faith with the young Prophet Joseph Smith. It must have given him great joy when Elder Card returned in two months with a favourable reply. The following spring he called upon President Card to lead a group of Latter-day Saint Pioneers up the northern trail through the Rocky Mountains to build new homes and settle in Southern Alberta.

The journey was not an easy one. Besides the other obstacles, many rivers had to be forded, often at high water, endangering life and supplies. But supported by his faithful wife, Zina Young Card, daughter of President Brigham Young, and better known as "Aunt Zina," who was looked upon as a mother by all the early frontiersmen, President Card forged ahead with a zeal that conquers the impossible. It is of interest to people of Britain that their daughter, Zina Card Brown, is the wife of Major Hugh B. Brown, new president of the British Mission.

Instead of the familiar sagebrush they had been used to in Utah, the immigrants found large prairies with bunch grass and wild flowers growing in profusion. Game was plentiful. The western mountains, filled with timber, supplied ample water for irrigating the rich, virgin soil. The colonists immediately made friends with the Indians of the territory. who had received their grant from Queen Victoria, the "Great White Mother." A pact, known as the Great Treaty of 1887, was made by President Card and Red Crow, chief of the Bloods. That pledge of peace was never broken.

Fifty years have seen those wide open spaces converted into large fields of amber grain, and a prosperous Mormon community. In June, 1887, there were but 42 Latter-day Saints in Cardston. To-day there are 11,000 members in the vicinity, comprising three Stakes and supporting a beautiful Temple. The Lord has indeed blessed Zion in Canada!



STAR AWARDS

**T** RAVELLING missionaries who have received silver Stars for having obtained at least one hundred Star subscriptions: left to right, they are Elders M. Warner Murphy, London District; Brigham Young V, British Mission Office; A. Ferron Forsgren, and John F. Kimball, London District; Fred H. Thompson, British Mission Office; and Marvin J. Ashton, Birmingham District.



Members and friends who have been awarded bronze Stars for having obtained at least twenty subscriptions to the Star: left to right, they are Sister Lucy M. Battle, Bristol; Mrs. Elizabeth Philpotts. London; Sister Ann Jeffery, Bristol; Miss Agnes Gillespie, Belfast; Sister Margaret Graham, Glasgow; and Brother Fred Laycock, Leeds.

## DICKENS AND HIS EMIGRAN'T SHIP

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"'If you hadn't known, could you ever have supposed . . ?' "'How could I? I should have said they were, in their degree, the pick and flower of England.'

"'So should I,' says the captain.

"'How many are they?'

"'Eight hundred in round numbers.'... Eight hundred what?... EIGHT HUNDRED MORMONS. I, Uncommercial Traveller for the firm of Human Interest Brothers, had come aboard this Emigrant Ship to see what Eight Hundred Latterday Saints were like, and I found them (to the rout and overthrow of all my expectations) like what I now describe with scrupulous exactness.

"The Mormon agent who had been active in getting them together, and in making the contract with my friends the owners of the ship to take them as far as New York on their way to the Great Salt Lake, was pointed out to me. A compactly-made handsome man in black, rather short, with rich brown hair and beard, and clear bright eyes. From his speech I should set him down as American. Probably a man who had 'knocked about the world' pretty much. A man with a frank open manner, and unshrinking look; withal a man of great quickness .I believe he was wholly ignorant of my uncommercial individuality and consequently of my inimense uncommercial importance.

UNCOMMERCIAL. These are a very fine set of people you have brought together here.

MORMON AGENT. Yes, sir, they are a very fine set of people. UNCOMMERCIAL (looking about.) Indeed, I think it would be difficult to find eight hundred people together anywhere else, and find so much beauty and so much strength and capacity for work among them.

MORMON AGENT (not looking about, but looking steadily at Uncommercial.) I think so. We sent out about a thousand more, yesterday, from Liverpool . . .

"Among all the fine handsome children, I observed but two with marks upon their necks that were probably scrofulous. Out of the whole number of emigrants, but one old woman was temporarily set aside by the Doctor, on suspicion of fever; but even she afterwards obtained a clean bill of health . . .

"I afterwards learned that a despatch was sent home by the Captain before he struck out into the wide Atlantic, highly extolling the behaviour of these emigrants, and the perfect order and propriety of all their social arrangements. What is in store for the poor people on the shores of the Great Salt Lake, what happy delusions they are labouring under now, on what miserable blindness their eyes may be opened then, I do not pretend to say. But I went on board their ship to bear testimony against them if they deserved it, as I fully believed they would; to my great astonishment, they did not deserve it; and my predispositions and tendencies must not affect me as an honest witness. I went over the *Amazon's* side, feeling it impossible to deny that, so far, some remarkable influence had produced a remarkable result, which better known influences have often missed."

#### **BUILDING A RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND**

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training. Its policy is that the organization or institution with which the Boy Scout is connected shall give definite attention to this religious life. Only men willing to subscribe to this declaration or principle shall be entitled to certificates or leadership in carrying out the Boy Scout programme." President Grant read the 13th Article of Faith and then said

emphatically "I repeat! If there is anything virtuous, lovely or of good report, or praiseworthy, we seek after these things. When we aiscovered the fundamentals of the Boy Scouts, we were looking for just such a thing and that is why we joined."

How effectively this Church has used this programme is shown in the following statements made by some of the National leaders. Dr James E. West, Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, said:

Among no church which has sponsored Scouting have we met with more wholehearted and effective co-operation and generous support than in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, or finer, more enthu-siastic leagers of unusually high calibre. The State of Utah has a larger percentage of Scouts in its boy population. I am told, than any other state in the Union and a larger per capita Scout membership in the Mor-mon faith than that of any other religious body on record

mon faith than that of any other religious body on record. A statement by John A. Stiles, Chief Executive Commission-

er, Canadian General Council, The Boy Scout Association: The Scout Organization in Canada has been very happy in its relations with the Latter-day Saint Church. As a matter of fact, we both seem to be working towards the same end, placing the greatest emphasis on the things of the spirit. It has been most encouraging to notice the number of encoded the the number of the state of the number of special training courses organized by the members of that Church, es-pecially in Alberta, and the large attendance at such courses. One of my great delights has been to hear the Latter-day Saint boys sing. In that I think they excel the rest of us."

This is the statement of Dr. Ray O. Wyland, Director of Edu-

This is the statement of Dr. Ray O. Wyland, Director of Edu-cation and Relations, Boy Scouts of America. I have been especially impressed by the Youth Movement within the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and its constructive program-me of youth guidance which is bringing up a generation of young men and women possessed with spiritual insight and a zeal for the Kingdom of God which is unsurpassed by any religious group that I know. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints uses the Boy Scout Movement in a larger way than any other Church in existence. It has a larger per capita of Scouts in its membership than any other religious body on record and the state of Utah has a larger percentage of Scouts in its boy population than any other state. We are thoroughly convinced that there is no other Church that has given more intelligent and effective supervision to its Scout Troops, and we have not met anywhere in our Church relations a Scout Troops, and we have not met anywhere in our Church relations a finer group of men, than are found among the leaders of this Church.

We feel we can be justly proud of our record in Scouting and are grateful to Lord Baden Powell, the genius who conceived the programme, and to the Boy Scouts of America for the direction and interpretation given it that has helped us effectively serve boys with this miracle programme. A National leader has said "Scouting is a God given programme for a particular day and this is the day." We agree with him.

As with Scouting, the Church eagerly searches out truth and goodness at all times to bring to its membership the best the world offers that will contribute to the knowledge, skills and happiness of its people. Not only do we thus endeavour to enrich the lives of all Church members, but through the programmes and activities of the various organizations in the Church and Priesthood Quorums we strive to build up a strong religious background insuring a faith in God, a desire to keep commandments and a sincere devotion to the things of God.

# NEWS OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

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SISTER Augusta Winters Grant, wife of President Heber J. Grant, observed her eighty-first birthday



Sister Grant

with a quiet family dinner on July 7th. On the same day Elder Rulon S. Wells, of the First Council of Seventy, celebrated his eighty-third anniversary with a reception in his home, with many relatives an d friends paying him honours. Sister Grant was born in Pleasant Grove,

Pleasant Grove, Utah, in 1856, and was active in early educational circles in Utah. She was married to President Grant on May 26th, 1884, the couple having been married for 53 years. Elder Wells was born on the present site of the Hotel Utah in 1854, just seven years after the founding of Salt Lake City. He filled a mission to Switzerland in 1875, was president of the European Mission from 1896 to 1898, and with Elder Melvin J. Ballard opened the Brazilian Mis-

sion in 1925. He has devoted his lifetime to Church service.

THOUSANDS of Church members, tourists, and friends met at Palmyra, New York, July 23rd, 24th, and 25th for the Annual Cumorah Conference commemorating in song, story and pageantry the early days of Mormonism. Revered by Latterday Saints as the birthplace of their religion, Palmyra and vicinity is fast becoming a modern Mecca for tourists from all over the world. Here is found, the Sacred Grove where the boy Joseph Smith re-ceived his first heavenly visitation; the old homestead where he lived as a youth; and Hill Cumorah, where he received at the hand of Moroni the golden plates from which he translated the Book of Mormon. Special features of the three-day celebration included a covered wagon encampment with old time songs, square dances, and bon-fire stories, inspirational meetings in the vision grove, and a sunrise service on top of Hill Cumorah. It is the 90th anniversary since the Saints entered Salt Lake Valley in 1847. 0

## OF CURRENT INTEREST

HOLLAND claims to have provided Europe's first flying cinema when the K.L.M. (Royal Dutch Airlines) presented "Born to Dance" with Eleanor Powell, in a Douglas DC2 plane, two miles above the highest church steeple in Amsterdam, recently. The 'plane carried twelve officials and journalists. It is recognized that cinema programmes in the air will be a source of entertainment to travellers on such long journeys as Amsterdam to Batavia, in the Notherlands East Indies.

THE GRAF ZEPPELIN, has made

her last flight. Finding her unsuitable for the use of helium instead of hydrogen gas, the German government made the decision following the destruction of the Hindenburg, sister ship to the Graf. She has been flown to the hanger at Frankfort to be deflated, after eight years of continuous service. During this time the ship has made 590 flights, including 143 trans-ocean journeys, mostly over the south Atlantic. In the future, all such air craft constructed in Germany will use helium, the non-flammable gas, on which the United States now has a monopoly. 

# FROM THE MISSION FIELD

#### Releases-

On July 9th, Elder E. Clark King, who has laboured in Liverpool and Nottingham Districts, was honourably released to return to his home in Magna, Utah.

Elder Austin M. Scott, who has laboured in the Irish District, was honourably released on July 9th, to return to his home in Salt Lake City.

Elder Dean W. Francis, who has laboured in Scottish and London Districts, was honourably released on July 13th, to return to his home in Santa Ana, California.

The following Elders were honourably released on August 3rd:

Elder Stanley H. Heal, who has laboured in Birmingham and Manchester Districts and in the European Mission Office, to return to his home in Provo, Utah.

Elder Robert S. Stevens, who has laboured in the Welsh District, Millennial Chorus, and British Mission Office, to return to his home in Salt Lake City;

Elder Alexander McLachlan, Jr., who has laboured in the Scottish District, being supervising elder the latter part of his mission, to return to his home in Gilbert, Arizona;

Elder Bertram T. Willis, who has laboured in Birmingham District, the British Misison Office as Mission Sunday School Superintendent, and was president and director of the Millennial Chorus, to return to his home in Salt Lake City;

Elder David C. Thomas, who has laboured in Hull District, the British Mission Office, and the Millennial Chorus, to return to his home in Salt Lake City;

in Salt Lake City; Elder Joseph S. Wood, who has laboured in Manchester and Hull Districts, being supervising elder of the latter, to return to his home in in Salt Lake City;

Elder John W. Boud, who has laboured in Liverpool District, served as Secretary of the British Mission, and as supervising elder of Leeds District, to return to his home in Salt Lake City;

Elder Evan Arthur, who has lab-

oured in Welsh and Liverpool Districts, being supervising clder of the former, to return to his home in Salt Lake City;

Elder William R. Firmage, who has laboured in the Scottish District and as supervising elder of Bristol District, to return to his home in Provo, Utah.

#### Transfers-

Elder Hyrum Adams was transferred from the Scottish District to the European Mission Office on July 19th.

Elder A. Z. Richards, Jr., was transferred from the *Millennial Star* Staff and named Supervising Elder of Scottish District on August 3rd.

#### Doings in the Districts-

LIVERPOOL—Liverpool Branch Primary held a rose festival on July 17th at the new chapel. In regal splendour, Sister Gladys Tope was crowned rose queen by Supervising Elder King E. Beagley. Sister Edna Currin conducted the programme. Refreshments were provided by the Relief Society. Proceeds will be used to give the Primary children a trip in August.

HULL—The children of Hull Branch Sunday School enjoyed an outing to Beverley Westwood, on Saturday, July 17th. Sister Marion Barret, Sunday School Superintendent, was in charge.

On Sunday, July 18th, Joan Turl was baptized and confirmed by Supervising Elder Joseph S. Wood.

Hull Branch Saints and friends were pleased to welcome the Rochdale Greys baseball team when they played Hull on July 22nd. After the match, the players inspected the new Hull chapel.

MANCHESTER—Over one hundred people were in attendance at a social held in the Rochdale chapel on Saturday, July 17th. Brother John Woodhead took charge of the games, and Elder Edmund M. Evans conducted a treasure hunt. Proceeds went to the branch building fund. Sisters Laycock, Alice Ripley, and Jessie M. Gregory.

LEEDS—Batley Branch held a social evening on Saturday, July 10th, under the direction of Sister Beatrice Laycock and the general fund Committee. The programme consisted of a concert, followed by a supper.

Bradford Branch held a mystery ramble, Saturday, July 17th, under the direction of Brother George Pitts. After tea the party visited Goit Stock Waterfalls and Fairy Glen. Proceeds were given to the building fund.

At baptismal services held in Bradford Chapel on Sunday, July 18th, the following were baptized and confirmed: Jane Elizabeth Newsome, baptized by Elder Arthur W. Jorgensen and confirmed by Elder Marvin G. Butterworth; Mable Walker, baptized by Supervising Elder John W. Boud and confirmed Ъy Bishop Henry M. Taggart; Hannah Steward, baptized by Elder Alton D. Merrill and confirmed by Elder Ivan D. Voorhees. District President Herbert Walker conducted.

Rawmarsh Branch Primary held a tea for the children on Thursday, July 8th, at which Joyce Sharpe was crowned Rose Queen by Sister Florence E. Malmberg. The affair was planned and directed by Sister M. Ianson-Holton and Sister Elsie May Quinney.

The Sunday School of Doncaster Branch recently sponsored a children's outing to the seaside at Cleethorpes, a beach situated at the mouth of the River Humber.

LONDON.-At baptismal services held in Southwest London Chapel on Sunday, July 18th, the following were baptized and confirmed: William David Cathcart, baptized by Elder Arlond T. Christensen and confirmed by Brother William C. McCormick; Esther Rosina Gear, baptized by Elder Stanley H. Heal and confirmed by President Andre K. Anastasiou; Margaret Willmott Eulelia Gear, baptized by Elder Stanley H. Heal and confirmed by Elder A. Z. Richards, Jr., Ellen Winifred Groves, baptized by Elder Christian J. Draayer and confirmed by Elder Samuel-Hislop; and Hettie Alice Beckingham, baptized by Brother Fred Beckingham and confirmed by Supervising Elder Alma J. Larkin.

On Sunday, July 18th, the Gravesend Branch was re-organized by District President Andre K. Anastasiou. Elder Stanley H. Heal was released from his position as Branch President with his counsellors. The branch officers were set apart and sustained as follows: Elder John B. Hoge, president; Ambrose R. Winch, first counsellor; Arthur Gear, second counsellor; and Sister Adelaide S. A. Winch, branch clerk.

Following a number of baptisms that have taken place there, a new branch was organized at Catford on July 18th. Brother Robert H. Love was sustained as branch president and Brother Wilfred E. Wood as second counsellor, under the direction of Brother William C. McCormick of the district presidency.

#### PERSONAL

**GRAHAM-WRIGHT**--Sister Davina Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Graham, of Dunee, and Brother John Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wright, of Sunderland, were married in Gray's Rooms, Dundee, on Saturday, July 17th.

Supervising Elder Alexander Mc-Lachlan, Jr., performed the ceremony. The bridesmaid was Miss Ganes Graham, sister of the bride. Mr. William Wright, brother of the groom, was best man.

BICKERSTAFF-MEAD — Brother William T. Mead and Sister Florence Ann Bickerstaff, both members of Southwest London Branch, were married at the Branch Chapel Saturday, July 24th. President Joseph J. Cannon performed the ceremony.

**RAYMENT - CHIPPING** — President Cannon also performed the ceremony at the wedding of Brother William O. Chipping of St. Albans Branch and Sister Constance Louise Rayment of Luton Branch, held at Ravenslea, on Sunday, July 25th. After a honeymoon at Eastbourne, they will reside in St. Albans.

#### LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

Aberaeen: Corn Exchange, Hadden Street, Off Market Street. Accrington L. D. S. Hall, Over 9, Church St. Airdrie: L. D. S. Hall, 40, Hallcraig Street. **B**arnsley: Arcade Buildings. **Batley**: L. D. S. Hall, 13, Wellington Street. Belfast: Arcade Buildings, 122, Upper North St. Birmingham: L. D. S. Chapel, 23, Booth Street. Handsworth. Council Schools, Stratford Road, Sparkbrook. Blackburn: L. D. S. Hall. St. Peter's Street. Bolton: Corporation Chambers, Bradford: L. D. S. Chapel, Woodlands Street, Off City Road. Brighton: 105, Queen's Road. Bristol: Hannah More Hall, 45, Park St., Clifton. Burnley: L. D. S. Chapel, 1, Liverpool Road, Rosegrove. Cardiff: Enquire: 98, Albany Road. Clayton: Central Hall. Derby: Unity Hall. Doncaster. L. D. S. Hall. Trafford Street. Dublin: L.D.S. Hall. 8, Merrion Row. Eastwood: Library, Church St. Edinburgh: Ruskin House. 15, Windsor Place. Gainsborough: L. D. S. Hall, Curtis Yard. Gateshead: Westfield Hall, Westfield Terrace.

Glasgow: L.D.S. Hall, 4. Nelson Street, Great Yarmouth: L.D.S. Hall, 66a, South Quay. Grimsby: Thrift Hall, Pasture Street. Halifax: L.D.S. Hall, 35, Brinton Terrace, Off Hansen Lane. Hexham: Deseret. Alexandra Terrace. Hucknall: Byron Buildings. Hull: L. D. S. Chapel, Wellington Lane, and Berkeley Street. Hyde: Ľ. D. S. Hall. Reynold Street. Kidderminster: L. D. S. Chapel, Park Street. Leeds: L. D. S. Hall, 5, Westfield Road. Leicester: All Saints' Open, Great Central Street. Letchworth: Vasanta Hall, Gernon Walk. Liverpool: L. D. S. Chapel, 301, Edge Lané. London: L.D.S. Chapel, 59, Clissold Rd., N.16. Loughborough Adult School. Lowestoft: L. D. S. Hall, 20, Clapham Road. Luton: Dallow Road Hall, 9 Corner of Dallow and St. Naseby Roads. 4 Ravenslea, 149, Nightingale Lane, S.W.12. Mansfield: 39a, Albert Street. Manchester. L. D. S. Hall, 88, Clarendon Road. Merthyr Tydfil: L. D. S. Chapel, Penyard Road. Middlesbrough: L. D. S. Hall, 188, Linthorpe Road. Nelson: L.D.S. Hall 10, Hibson Road.

Northampton: L. D. S. Chapel, 89, St. Michael's Str. North Walsham: Enquire: 32, Norwich Road. Nottingham: L. D. S. Hall, 8, Southwell Road. Norwich: L. D. S. Chapel, 60, Park Lane. Nuneaton: Masonic Hall. Oldham: L. D. S. Hall, Neville Street. Plymouth: L. D. S. Hall, 34, Park Street, Tavistock Road. Pontllanfraith: Enquire: 81, Brynteg Street. Portsmouth: Pimco Hall, Heidelberg Road, Southsea. Preston, Lancs: L. D. S. Hall, 96, Friargate. Rawmarsh: L. D. S. Hall, Main Street. Rochdale: L. D. S. Chapel, Lower Sheriff St. Sheffield: L. D. S. Chapel, Corner of Ellesmere and Lyons Roads. Shildon: L. D. S. Hall, 100, Main Street. Skelton: Scott Rooms, Boosebeck Road. Skelton Green. South Shields: L. D. S. Chapel, 98, Fowler Street. Albans: 49, Spencer Street. Sunderland: L. D. S. Chapel, 18. Tunstall Road. Tipton: Enquire at: 72, Tursfield Road. Varteg: Memorial Hall. West Hartlepool: L. D. S. Chapel, 7, Osborne Road. Wigan: L and Y Station. Wolverhampton: L. D. S. Hall, Washington Building, Berry Street.

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